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## THREE RAIDS ON TEL-AVIV

**Five Jews Killed: Two Planes Shot Down**

### MUFTI OF JERUSALEM ENTERS PALESTINE

Palestine, May 16.—Five Jews were killed and two enemy planes were shot down in the third air raid today on the Jewish capital of Tel-Aviv. One of the planes plunged into the sea near Herzlia while the other made a forced landing bringing the two day score to three enemy aircraft shot down. Little damage was done today by the raiders.

Arab planes were also reported by Jewish sources here to have attacked two Jewish settlements of Affikim and A shdot Yaakov in the Tiberias district. These reports said that the two settlements snuggling in the Jordan valley were attacked by three planes and several children were reported to be wounded.

Reports from Jerusalem said that the western suburbs where were still under heavy fire while the Arabs opened an attack on the Jewish quarter inside the old walls. The Arabs were also reported to be attacking the small Jewish village of Nova Yaakov in the Judean hills six miles northeast of Jerusalem.

Jewish forces presented no strong opposition to the raiding Egyptian planes. Anti-aircraft fire was light and no Jewish planes engaged the raiders in dogfights.

Slender Egyptian spitfires flew virtually unopposed high in blue skies over Tel-Aviv in several alerts today. Private sources indicated however, the Jews are holding back any counter attack until the appropriate moment. These sources spoke in veiled terms of "a visit to Cairo" as a reprisal bombing.

Civil guards in green berets forced all persons to take shelter against the wails of houses when the split-flares appeared.

Unofficial and unconfirmed reports said that the Egyptian army has entered Beersheba in south Palestine today.—United Press.

#### TEL AVIV BOMBED

Haifa, May 10.—A hostile aircraft bombed Tiberias on the shores of the Lake of Galilee and three Jewish settlements in the area below, a Jewish source said.

A Jewish settler, arriving at Haifa, said a twin-engined aircraft attacked Tiberias. A shdot Yaakov and Affikim. A single-engined plane made one bombing run over Ein Giv on the eastern shores of Galilee close to the Transjordan frontier.

Ein Giv, he said, was also attacked with heavy artillery from the Transjordan hills which rise sharply east of the sea.

#### EDITORIAL

### The "Key Money" Ramp

THE Telegraph's successful exposure of "key money" house agents, which led last week to the conviction in court of four people who shared in one of these illegal transactions, calls for renewed efforts on the part of the police to stamp out these drosses. This was no isolated incident, and the authorities have only to refer to the Telegraph's original story to appreciate there are a dozen such operators who need to be rounded up and brought to court. As we observed at the time, if a newspaper acting independently, can make contact with these house agents, surely the police, with their manifold resources can do likewise. Last Friday's case proved here: it is in existence—so-called house agents who, working in collaboration with property owners and principal tenants, are prepared to meet accommodation seekers for thousands of dollars in "key money" and brokerage fees. They are pests and parasites deserving the closest attention of the police and all the effective action which the law can bring to bear against them. One fact of special moment emerged from last week's court case: it was disclosed that certain premises had been allowed to remain vacant for several months while the "house agent" endeavoured to find a tenant willing to pay \$7,000 "key money" and \$700 brokerage fees. It can be presumed there are hundreds of similarly vacant flats and other living quarters in the Colony—a scandalous state of affairs in these days of acute housing shortage. Can nothing be done by the authorities to correct this? It should be made impossible for any property

owner or principal tenant to leave accommodation vacant for months at a time while so many people are crying out for living quarters. There should be a record of all private property ownership, tenancy of which should be checked at regular intervals. Government too, might enlist the aid of the general public by requesting reports to be made where property is found to be unoccupied. Some time ago we advocated that when houses and flats became de-requisitioned, Government's quartermaster authority should first be satisfied as to how the property was going to be used when handed back to the owner. So many houses and flats have reverted to Chinese ownership only to provide a profitable medium for "key money" in some form or another. When property is de-requisitioned, Government should have on record the rent which the owner intends to charge, and, when he lets the premises, the names of the tenants. This would enable the authorities to act quickly against the owner or any principal tenant if it were found that excess rent was being charged, or "key money" demanded. Government is apparently satisfied that having declared "key money," excessive rents and surcharges for furniture illegal, it has done everything possible to protect the public. But outlawing a racket is no deterrent: there must be complementary action that will not only make the racket a difficult undertaking but will put the authorities in a position of being able to apprehend those who indulge in it. Registration of property owners and tenants is one way of achieving this end.

### RACING TIPS

(By "The Turf")

Race 1

Avalon  
Happy Valley  
Outsider—Anyway.

Race 2

Argentine Moon  
Vagabond King  
Amigo  
Outsider—Speedaway.

Race 3

Ascot Beauty  
Ann Hing  
Chief Witness  
Outsider—Sprintet.

Race 4

Arabian Night  
Margold  
Mona Lisa  
Outsider—Portobello.

Race 5

Solo-Mark Lassie  
Golden Eagle  
Flying Dragon  
Outsider—Hostile Witness.

Race 6

Grey Lady  
Chief Pilot  
Mabuhay  
Outsider—Lola Sapola.

Race 7

Maroubra  
Emperor Gate  
Busted Straight  
Outsider—Trial Trip.

Race 8

Black Market  
Meteor  
Rebel  
Outsider—Liberation Star.

Race 9

Lovely Lady  
Boom Town  
Insider  
Outsider—Larksprur Lad.

Race 10

Constant Star  
Flying Tiger  
Empress of Peace  
Outsider—Shangrila

Race 11

Frostylight  
Wright  
Honeybelle  
Outsider—Radar.

Race 12

Noverture  
Richard I  
Elmer  
Outsider—Fiesta.

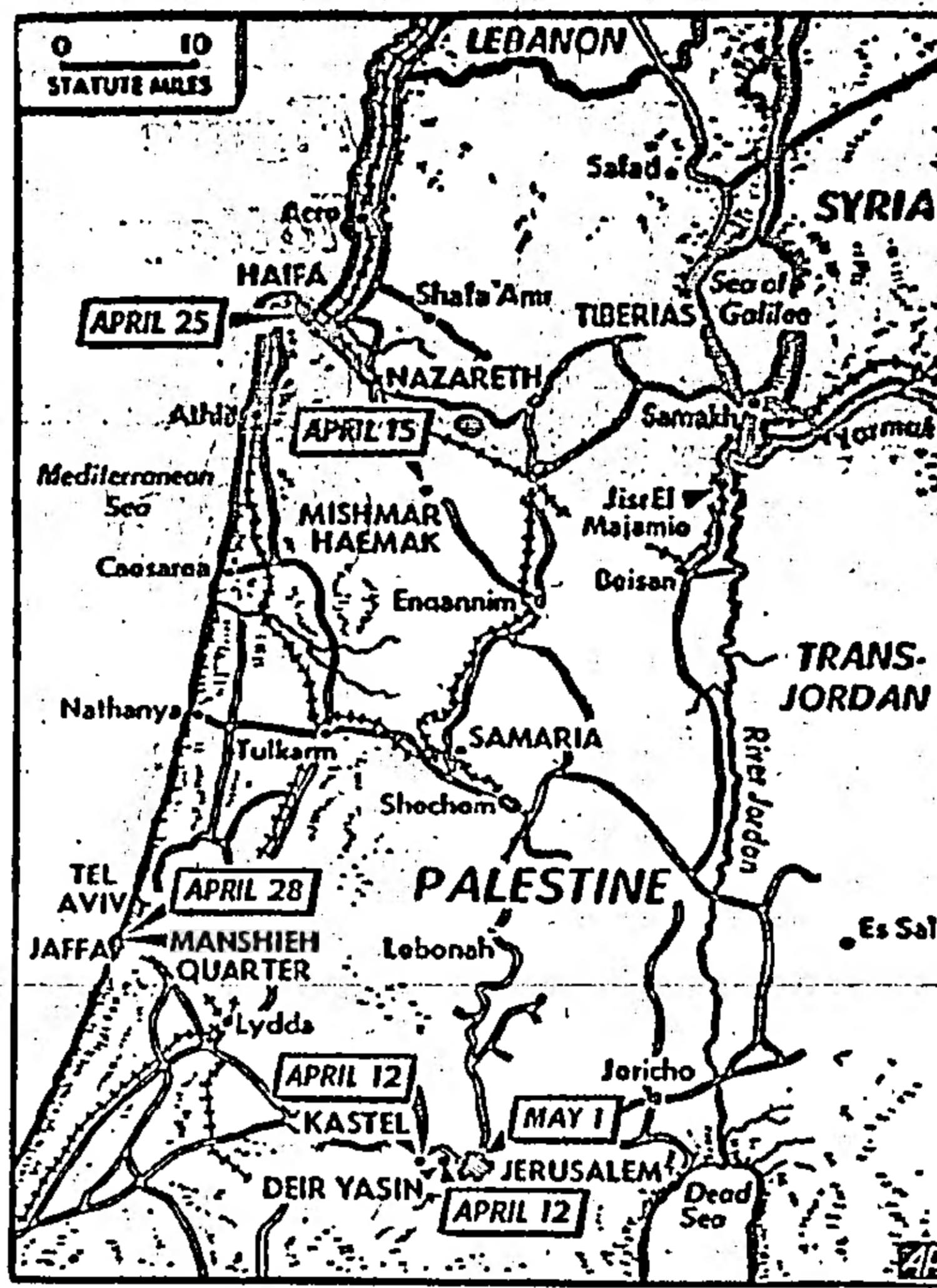
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### Death In Jerusalem



Three Jewish soldiers, one wearing a gas mask, and another holding his nose, remove an Arab corpse from the wreckage of a building in the Katamon district of Jerusalem during a 48-hour truce between Jews and Arabs for control of the district. The Jews have since swarmed into the Holy City and captured all the strategic points.—AP

### Where Jews Have Won Victories



### 4 DIE IN CAMP UPRISING

Marseilles, May 16.—Four pro-French Indo-Chinese were dead today and 71 others wounded—17 seriously—as the result of a mass attack on Saturday night by other conscripts in a French Army Indo-Chinese labour battalion.

Ninety men were under arrest in the camp and 22 being questioned at police headquarters, while the countryside was being scoured for numerous others who broke out of the camp.

The attackers, armed with hatchets, knives and blunt instruments, fell upon their political opponents as they slept in a camp barracks and hacked, slashed and clubbed them, French sources said. An earlier version said there had been a fight.

Police said they had uncovered a "real arsenal" of knives, hatchets, razors, hammers and clubs.

The attack allegedly was decided on at a meeting. Four of the casualties died today in hospital. They included the Indo-Chinese "delegate" (trustee) of the camp.

The incident was the latest of a series that has gone on in the Indo-Chinese labour battalions since the outbreak of hostilities in Indo-China. The conscripts, mostly sympathetic to the Nationalists in Indo-China, have often raised demands that they be sent home and have attacked elements collaborating with the French.—Associated Press.

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### Russians Like Mr Wallace's Proposal

Moscow, May 16.—Soviet press commentators in a discussion of Soviet-American relations today welcomed a number of the proposals for a settlement made by Mr Henry Wallace, the United States third party candidate for the Presidency, in an open letter to Marshal Stalin last week.

While not agreeing with several of his assertions, they said his approach was "realistic and logical" and indicated a genuine desire to find ways of settling differences between the Soviet Union and the United States.

Mr Wallace, in his letter to Marshal Stalin, published on Tuesday, said the whole world had been heartened by the recent exchange of notes between General Walter Bedell Smith, the United States Ambassador to Moscow, and M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister.

**APPROVAL**  
The commentators approved Mr Wallace's proposals for a general limitation of arms, the prohibition of the means of mass destruction, the prohibition of the export of arms "by any country," non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries, the withdrawal of foreign troops from Korea and non-interference in the internal affairs of China. Increased trade (except in armaments), and the cultural development of cultural relations.

They also approved Mr Wallace's proposal for the establishment of a reinvigorated UNRRA or some other United Nations agency for the distribution of international relief.

Pravda, the Soviet Communist Party paper, quoted Marshal Stalin's recent statement: "Of course, the Soviet Union and the United States could collaborate with each other. ... If the two systems could collaborate during the war, why should they not collaborate in peacetime?"

**PRAVDA'S COMMENT**  
In a lengthy examination of Mr Wallace's letter, Pravda said: "The peace-loving statements sometimes made by representatives of the American Government alternate, as a rule, with deliberate pessimism in estimating the international situation. Thus war psychosis, alarm and concern are planted in the minds of millions of people in America; and the international situation thereby becomes more tense."

"In whose interests? Not, of course, in the interests of the American people, who, like other peoples, are vitally interested in peace."

"Mr Wallace proposes something else. He appeals to America to return to the policy of President Roosevelt—and therein lies the strength of his position."

"For experience has shown—and millions of Americans remember it—that, in Roosevelt's time, the differences between the powers of the anti-Hitler coalition were successfully solved.—Reuter.

### Radio Correspondent Found Murdered

Salonika, May 16.—The bound body of George Polk, Columbia Broadcasting System correspondent, who disappeared a week ago after telling friends he hoped to interview Guerrilla General Markos, was found floating near the beach at Salonika this morning.

Police said they are investigating the possibility that the American might have been killed trying to make contact with Communist leaders for a trip into the guerrilla-held mountains of Northern Greece.

The United States Consul General, Mr. Raleigh Gibson, said Polk's hands and feet were loosely tied. Robbery apparently was not the motive since his wristwatch and pocketbook containing \$300,000 Drachma (about £8) were untouched.

### MISSING A WEEK

Polk is the first American journalist to meet death hero during the Greek civil war.

Police said Polk was last seen a week ago when he left hotel.

A hunt first began for him on Wednesday, when Polk's War Department correspondents identification card and Pan-American Airways calendar were received through the mail at Salonika Police headquarters.

The envelope was addressed in Greece and contained no letter of explanation.

Lieut-Col. Thomas Martin, head of the British Police Mission in Salonika, said the Greek police are searching for a motive. He said they are investigating the possibility

### TRAIN DISASTER DEATH ROLL

Calcutta, May 16.—The death roll in yesterday's Calcutta-Dehradun train disaster rose to 30 today when 13 more bodies were recovered from the wreckage and two of the 19 seriously injured died in hospital.

The train was derailed nine miles from Dhanbad, an important coal mining centre in Bihar.—Reuter.

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## WOMANSENSE

### Girl's Voice From Paris Comes Winter . . . Heard thr' IN SUMMER COATS Cockpit

By NORINE CLARK

New York.—One of these days pilots who land and take off at LaGuardia Airport are going to get a jolt when they ask the control tower for clearance.

Instead of — the unusual man's voice coming over the radio into the cockpit, pilots will hear the pleasant but firm voice of an attractive blonde.

The newest addition to the staff of 24 control tower operators at LaGuardia tower is a girl. She is 25-year-old Maxine. After the first girl to be assigned to LaGuardia tower since the Civil Aeronautics Administration took over control in October of 1946.

It is no small honour to be the only girl assistant controller in the tower of the world's busiest airport.

Studying Up

That is the job Maxine hopes to have as soon as she finishes what is known as the familiarization period. Right now her eyes are taking a careful note of all operations to the airport and the inner workings, all she has to know about the metropolitan area.

When she passes her final rating, she will have as much right as the male assistant controllers to stand in the clear control tower and say into a microphone: "T-W-A cleared to runway 22." Or, "Colonial cleared to land."

Recently Maxine, or Max as the boys in the tower call her, was transferred from the T-W-A tower in Pittsburgh.

She says, "I have always wanted LaGuardia but didn't think I had a chance. So I asked for Newark or Westchester. I was really surprised when I was offered LaGuardia."

#### Likes Her Work

Aside from the fact that the Canton, Ohio girl likes New York, she also likes to keep busy and she is determined to make good at LaGuardia. She says the will, "If I have to spend 24 hours a day here," Maxine's love of aviation dates back to her first airline ride when she was six years old. She decided, then she would have a pilot's licence by the time she was 21, and she did. She got it at McKinley Airport in Canton.

That was during the war and soon after she was accepted by the W-A-S-P-S, the women's auxiliary group which ferried planes from factories to air fields. The day she was to leave home, she received a telegram telling her not to—the W-A-S-P-S had been disbanded.

#### Trained in Navy

That was in July, 1944. So she joined the W-A-V-E-S, hoping she would be assigned to tower work. After the routing train berthed at the Navy control tower school in Atlanta, Maxine was made a second class petty officer, specialist in control tower. She was assigned to Quonset Point, Rhode Island, where she worked for 17 months.

While there, Maxine handled an emergency so capably—with the help of a dispatch girl and an operations officer—that the three of them received a presidential commendation.

As for romance, right now Maxine is wedded to her job. She says she's not sure she will marry.

Besides, she has just broken an engagement. She gave the ring back the day she found out she was to be transferred to LaGuardia tower.

She says, "I just couldn't see getting married in June when I had an opportunity like LaGuardia."

### B. I. F. Fashion Shoes

An interesting new type of woman's shoe was seen at the British Industrial Fair, which was held from May 8 to 14 in London and Birmingham. It was on view at the Earls Court, London, section of the Fair. Made by Newbold & Burton Limited, of Premier Works, Sibley, Loughborough, England, it is claimed that this shoe is technically sounder than the normal platform shoe, and in appearance more attractive. Its platform is made from rubberised cork; repairs can be made as easily and cheaply as on normal makes without disturbing the platform, which insulates the foot from heat and cold; and the double-sealed welt gives effective protection from wet and damp.

HAVE you coupons, cash and wraps to buy? I do, the newest summer fashions and accessories are for you! If not, they can be adapted to suit your pocket and purpose. For the newest-of-all summer coats are in dress-weight materials like natural linen, poplin or taffeta, and they go to odd lengths, never reaching the hem or frock.

Paradoxical summer coat, for example, is the fur-trimmed tiered box coat (left), flying out at the back in natural linen with a high flyaway collar.

### Figure

### Flattery



Daytime dress of belgo crepe.

By VERA WINSTON

**SOFTENING DETAILS:** cleverly placed are used by designers for dresses that flatter the less-than-perfect figure. Belgo moss crepe is used for a pretty daytime dress on this order. There is nice detail at the neck in the one-sided draping. The cascading drapery on the skirt is caught up at one side, topped by a self-bow. A balancing bow is perched at the opposite shoulder.

### Household Hint

It is a dangerous custom to keep flammable liquids in the home. However, if they must be used, store them in a galvanized steel oil or gas can or other metal container. Never use glass bottles. If they are dropped and broken, the contents may be ignited by just one little spark from a cigarette or match.

### RED RYDER



If Red Only Knew

By Fred Harman

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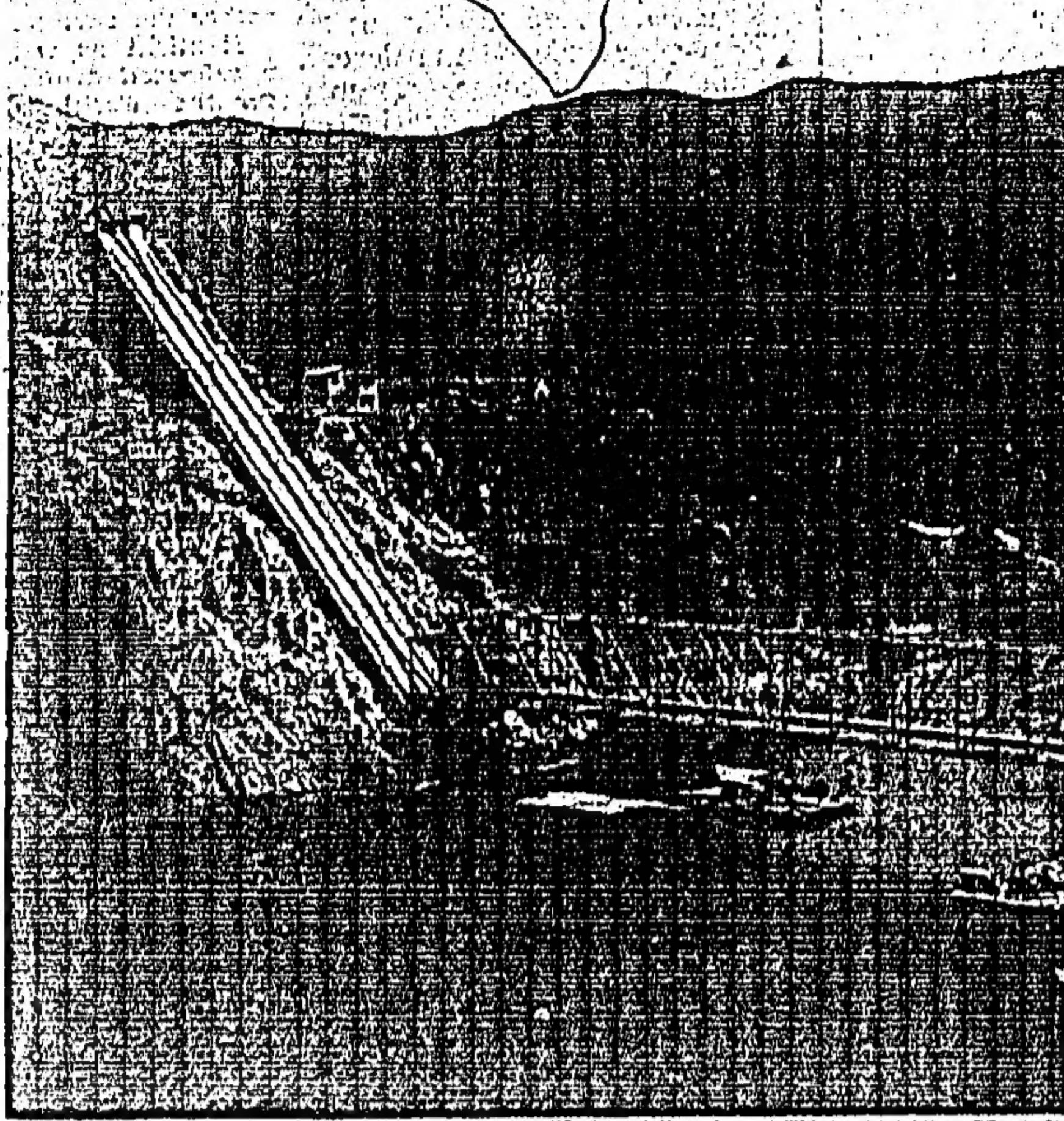
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# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**TORPEDO TESTING** — The general view at left shows the U.S. Navy's 300-foot torpedo launching slide and pier for testing new techniques at Pasadena, California, where torpedoes are shot at high speeds obtained by air compression rather than by explosives at Morris Dam. At right, scientists and workmen load a torpedo from a crane into the launching tube.

**BLOSSOM TIME** — A cool miss is actress Suzanne Casey, lounging amid snowflowers and ice plant in a bathing suit during Hollywood's Flower Show. The snowflowers are actually lilies.

**INTRODUCTION TO BASEBALL** — General Claire Chennault and his Chinese wife seen by the cameraman at a big league baseball game in Washington. The famous leader of the Flying Tigers and spouse have now returned to Shanghai.



**ARTISTS' LIFE ON THE TROBRIANDS** — Sitting in the sun before their thatched huts and about what goes on in the rest of the world, the wood carvers of Bwotalu village, in the Trobriand Archipelago, ply their trade. These craftsmen lend great imagination to the art of making wooden platters, hunting and fishing spears, staffs, bailers, bowls and tablets.



**DETONATION** — But a team of demolition experts at Earle, New Jersey, treated this depth charge with the proper respect until they were sure. The depth charge was discovered off Staten Island, New York.

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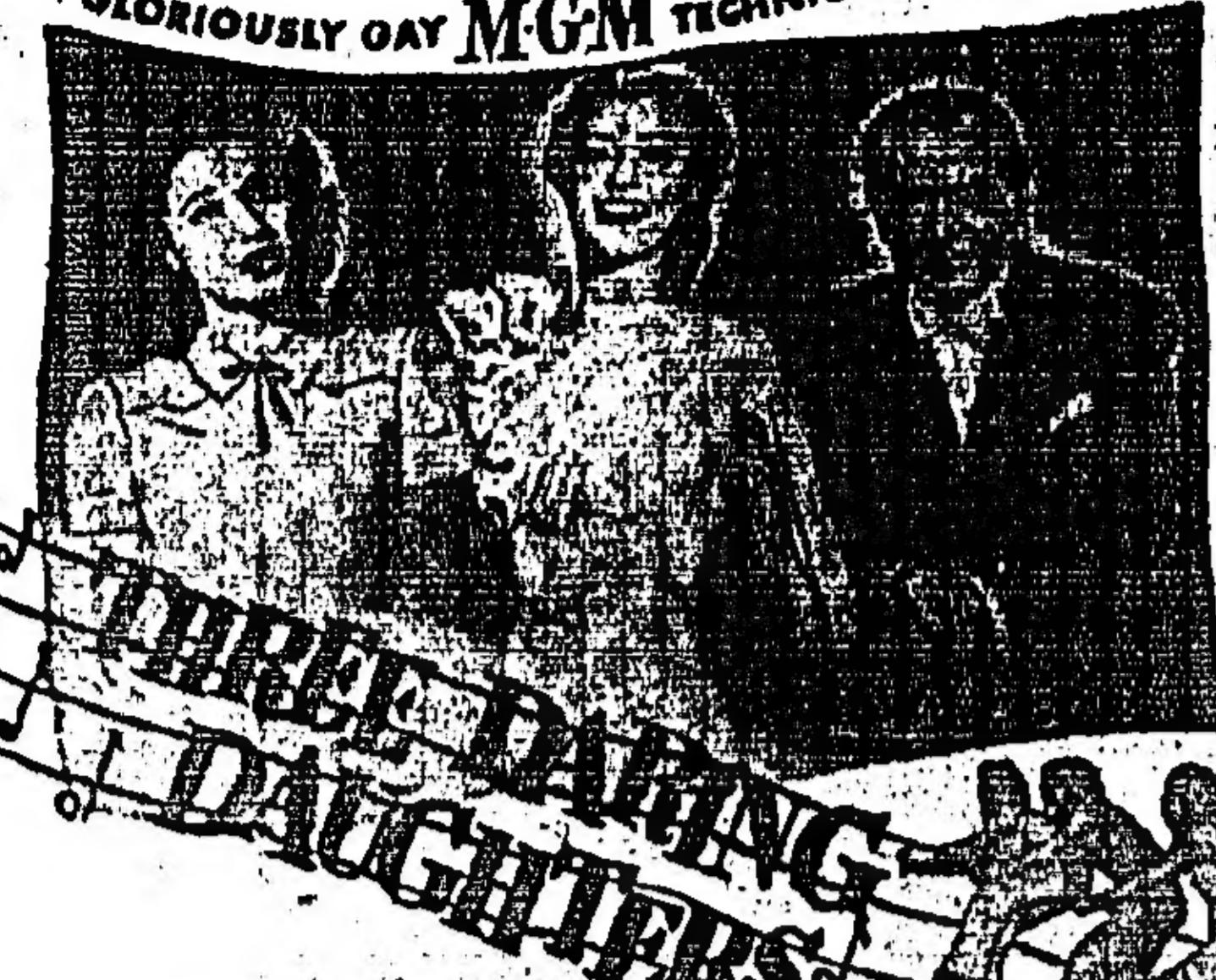
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SHOULD CAPITAL PUNISHMENT BE ABOLISHED?

## All the wooing has left Italy dangerously cocky

THE first lock-out notice in Italy since 1922 went up ten days after the great election victory of Alcide de Gasperi's Christian Democrat party over the Communist Socialist Popular Front.

The notice was put up on the boards and gates of the great Falk metal works at Sesto, San Giovanni, near Milan.

Now from a purely business point of view this lock-out is without doubt amply justified.

For the previous three weeks the transport workers of the Falk concern in Sesto, San Giovanni, had been on strike, and rejecting all arbitration proposals. Trucks had been piling up in the sidings, while the workers refused to load or unload them.

The firm had been paying out millions of lire for the delay. And the stoppage of supplies meant that hundreds of hands in the factory were idle while receiving full pay.

I stopped off in Rome on my way back from Athens to take Italy's post-election temperature and find out what I could on how things are going to develop there now.

I found it feverish. The attention Italy had been getting from West and East seemed to have gone to its head.

The Italians I talked with—duchesses, journalists, anti-Communist, Socialists, industrialists, all with one exception—and he was a Communist high-up—spoke of the election victory not as a mere election victory. It was a great battle which Italy, fighting single-handed with the greatest self-sacrifice and the most heroic daring, had won against the rest of the world.

For the fact that this lock-out is the first since 1922, and that it follows so closely on the defeat of the Popular Front, gives it all the appearance of being a showdown. And, what is more, a showdown forced on de Gasperi by his triumphant Right-wing backers before he has had time to arrange his new Government, strike the balance between his Right and Left-wing supporters, or make clear what kind of an industrial and labour policy he intends to follow.

The situation has been made no easier by the workers. They are refusing to accept the lock-out, and

\* \* \* There were no lock-outs under Mussolini's Fascist regime. Lock-outs like strikes were illegal. Nor did the Allied Military Government permit them. And there was none under the Italian Governments that followed A.M.G.—not until now.

Italy's industry, since the war has been deliberately over-staffed with workers to prevent unemployment.

Now it is expected that the Government will authorise employers to dismiss these supernumeraries,

I have just been spending a week in Rome to take a sounding after the voting frenzy

### SEFTON DELMER'S NEWSMAP

among them no doubt many Communist agitators. And however skilfully they handle this problem, the Communists argue, the Government are bound to come in conflict with organised labour as a consequence.

I agree. That is why de Gasperi cannot afford to have his Socialist allies attacked in the arrogance of victory.

This victory intoxication is going to cause trouble for the Italian Government outside Italy as well. I shall be surprised if America and Britain don't find themselves up against it with a bump, and quite soon, too.

Mr. Ivor Thomas, M.P., in particular, has a surprise waiting for him. He should hasten to Rome before he makes any more speeches proposing that Italy be admitted to the Western Union "as a reward" for not allowing the Communists to win the election.

"Reward my foot," say the Italians. "Before we even so much as discuss joining the Western Union there must be a complete revision of the Peace Treaty. If we are to be allies, we must be allies on a basis of equality."

**Sounds Logical**

"WE cannot afford this," said the management, "we must close the works until a settlement is reached."

All of which sounds quite logical. But I wonder whether it is politic?

Each political group extolled its own contribution and expected political concessions in accordance. There was little readiness for give and take.

### Their Tactics

THE Communists are delighted. They are hoping to play off the conflicting currents among the Government supporters against each other—not in the Chamber, where de Gasperi's party has an absolute majority, but in the Senate, where it has not.

They count on offsetting the challenge of the Saragat secessionists and their own waning popularity in the unions—recent elections in the textile workers and railway workers' unions showed a diminishing Communist vote—by exploiting the Government's handling of labour in the big lay-off that is coming.

The situation has been made no easier by the workers. They are refusing to accept the lock-out, and

Italians believe that when we start talking Western Union with her we shall hear a great deal about "Italy as a bridge between East and West," the usefulness to Europe of a "neutral Italy," and Italy's need of markets in the Danube Basin.

This, to be sure, has nothing to do with victory intoxication, but is just the sober traditional policy of

Italy.

the shadow of the gallows—been reprieved.

When I joined them they

were engaged on the interior

woodwork for a new chapel.

The benches up and down the

shop were laden with great

roof principals, pillars, pews,

and pieces of pulpits.

The floor was deep with

sweet-smelling shavings of pine

and oak.

And 20 murderers were deeply

engrossed in creating a new

place of worship, to be used by

succeeding murderers for

generations to come.

For three years I worked with

them and studied them.

When I first met them it was

with a feeling of awe, thinking of

them as men who were different

from their fellows. I could not

forget the background.

THE 'ARISTOCRATS'

I could not suppress a sudden

start when I realized that the

bonhomie old man with the white

hair, so intent on setting his gauge,

was the once notorious X of the W

murder; or that the fresh-faced

youth, so skilfully carving an altar

piece, was actually Y, who had

But as time went past I became

accustomed to all this. I forgot the

background. I became able to

consider these men without bias.

And gradually I realized some

interesting facts about reprieved

murderers serving life sentences.

In the first place, they differed

from other criminals in that they

were not a type. They did not

have some feature, or features, com-

mon to all of them, or even to

several of them.

Street corner boys, violent rob-

bers, confidence tricksters and

sexual perverts are apt to run to

type. They have certain charac-

teristics in common.

Their eyes, their ideas, the books

they read, their reaction to

authority, and their talk—above all,

their talk—link them together.

The trickster will be tricky in

little things as well as big. But it

is not so with the murderers.

They are as diverse as the chance

travellers in a bus, and—I would

dare to add—as harmless.

They regard themselves, and with

some justification, as the aristocracy

of the prison.

**TALK NORMALLY**

Generally speaking, they are not

men who have cunningly and

deliberately followed some tortuous

criminal path.

They have not swindled and rob-

bed and cheated; and, for the most

part they would not do so.

And whereas the conversation of

the forger and the burglar is all of

the latest practices in the arts of

modern forgery and burglary,

the conversation of the reprieved mur-

derer is that of reasonably normal

men; looking forward, rather timidly,

to some decent future...

Quite often they are ordinary little

men who have been exposed to some

great temptation, or caught in the

torrent of some violent passion.

You would never become a

seven-day drunk; you have not the

skill to make a forger, or the cour-

age to make a burglar; but can you,

say, given certain circumstances,

that it is not just possible that you

could become a murderer...?

## The company of Cain

By B. E. MILES

IT is, in fact, nothing of the kind; rather the reverse.

It might well be argued that a reformed drunkard makes a case for the abolition of all licensing laws.

The whole point is that these men are not only murderers; they are murderers who have been reprimed; which means that, after microscopic examination something about each case has been found which justifies repriming.

### DREAD SENTENCE

As an argument for judicial repriming, and for the efficiency of its application, it is unanswerable; as an argument for some sort of degrees being introduced to the murder charge it may be powerful; but as an argument for the abolition of the death sentence itself—it is negligible.

There is not, and, never should be, one real gunman among these men, or one calculating poisoner.

They are not of the breed of men who have made violence their creed, and who mean to shoot their way out of any corner.

# CHRIST DIED IN JAPAN CLAIM

By ERNEST HOBRECHT

Heral, Japan, May 17.—Peasants of this northern Honshu village claim that Christ lived, died and was buried here after fleeing from his persecutors in Palestine.

They also claim that the Virgin Mary is buried here along with the hair and an ear of Christ's brother, who disguised himself and was crucified in place of Christ, who fled through Siberia and Alaska before making his home here.

The "grave" is about two miles outside of this village. They are between two low hills, are about 24 feet apart and are marked by two square poles about 10 feet high.

The story of Christ's life in Japan is a legend that the people of this village claim to have handed down from generation to generation.

According to the legend, Christ first visited Japan when he was 21 years old, remained here until he was 33. He was said to have assumed the Japanese name of "Tenku Taro Juru" and to have learned to speak and write the Japanese language.

## TRAVELED ALL OVER

Villagers here said Christ traveled all over Japan, stopping for periods at various shrines and offering prayers.

When Christ was 34, he went back to Palestine, according to the legend of this village. He is supposed to have told his followers about "the sacred heaven of Japan."

"Christ's teachings at that time were not welcomed," says the written account of a story that has been prepared by the local authorities. "Scholars were especially opposed to his teachings and at last he was to be crucified."

"However, Christ's brother disengaged himself as Christ and was crucified on a cross. Thus Jesus Christ managed to escape and took refuge in Siberia from where his whereabouts became unknown."

"Just before he left Palestine Jesus said: 'Soon thou shall not see me any more. I shall be going to my father.' These words are in the Bible also. By father he meant Japan. When he fled from Palestine he had made up his mind to come to Japan again."

## RETURNED TO JAPAN

"After roaming around various countries, Christ four years later, on February 26, landed at Kalmaranose, Aomori Prefecture, from Alaska."

"After coming to Japan again, Christ again called himself Tenku Taro and lived in the village of Heral. He died at the age of 106, and he is buried in Heral hill of Heral village."

The village people have a song which they say sounds like ancient Hebrew music. Even though they sing it, they do not claim to know the meaning of the words."

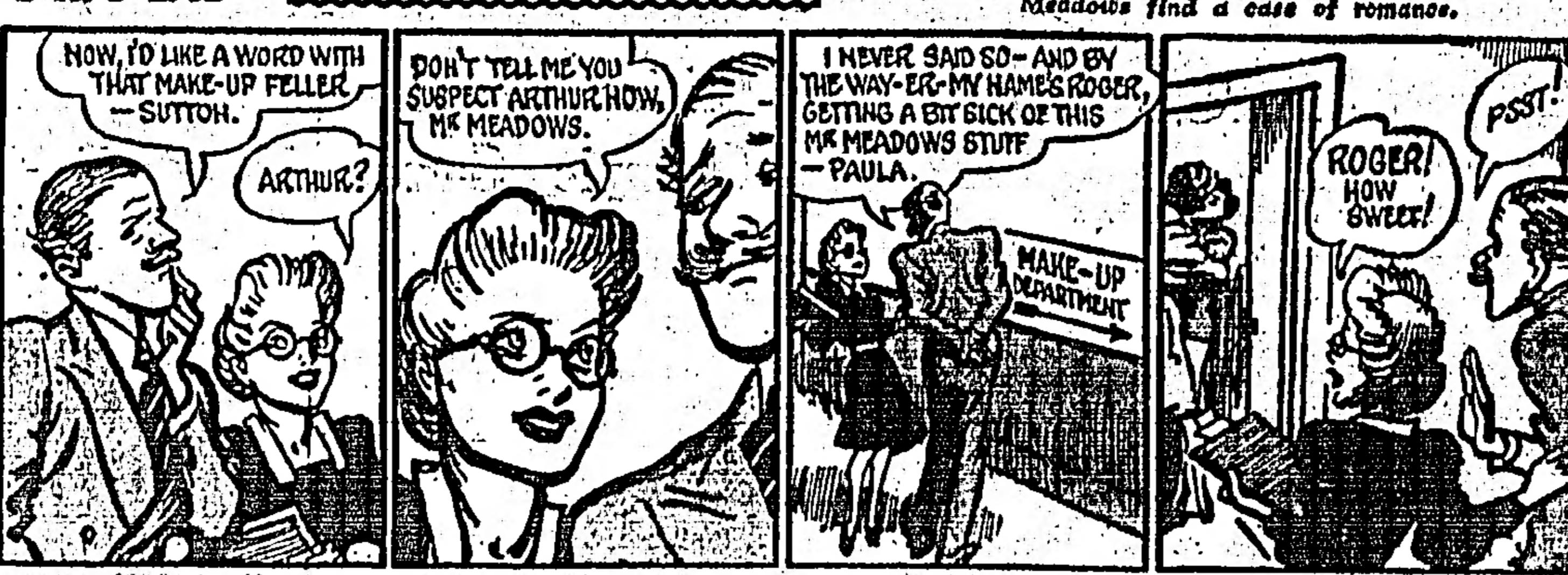
They said ancient cooking utensils had been found at a nearby site where Christ's house stood.—United Press.

## NO BODIES FOUND

Athens, May 16.—A four day's search of snow-covered Mount Ghiona, central Greece failed to reveal any trace of 40 babies reported to have been strangled by guerrillas, a Greek Government medical party stated today.

Government officials suggested the "bandits" removed the corpses at night after their discovery by a military party on May 4.—Reuter.

## PAULA BY DENNIS WHEATLEY



## Czech Air Force Men Flee Reds

Munich, May 16.—The British-trained Czech-Slovak Air Force is deserting wholesale and fleeing into Germany, a refugee officer said today.

The officer, a lieutenant whose name cannot be disclosed for his own safety, said only five percent of the Officer Corps, which the RAF taught during the war, is Communized.

The airmen are sneaking over the border by land. It is no longer possible for them to steal planes.

Recently, the informant said, all officers were called into head a harangue by a politician. They were told the Air Corps was known to be pro-British and anti-Communist, and that this had to stop. All officers were ordered either to join the party or swear allegiance to it. The response was silence, the informant said.

The fugitive officers, it is said, consider that President Edward Benes is no longer ruling the country, and therefore their action is not desertion.

There are at least 1,000 former Czech military men now in Bavaria. Refusing to join the Communists means they cannot even eat, they said, and that is why flight is the only recourse.

Czech-Slovak Minister of State Anton Zapotocky said in a speech that the government would have no further need for "enemies of the state."—Associated Press.



SUCCEEDS MOUNTBATTEN—Appointment of Chakravarthi Rajagopalachari, aged 69, as India's new Governor-General has been approved by King George VI on the recommendation of the Government of India. (AP)

## CHALLENGE TO UNESCO MEETING

San Francisco, May 16.—The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization closed a three-day Pacific regional conference after being told, "It must 'choose fast' whether to be a 'militant organised force for peace' or to stay in quiet waters out of danger."

The challenge was voiced at the final session by Dr. G. Stoddard, President of the University of Illinois, speaking before 2,000 UNESCO delegates from seven Western States, Hawaii and Alaska. Dr. Stoddard said: "The long-time plans of UNESCO are indeed marvellous," but he demanded to know why "we are not knee-deep in the Palestine problem, today of all days."

He asked: "Similarly, where is UNESCO in the Chinese conflict, in India, in Pakistan? Have we nothing to say about the status of peace in Spain, in Italy, in South America?"

The speaker reminded delegates:

"The unique, permanent, exciting business of UNESCO is to contribute to a just peace, but we must choose fast."

"If UNESCO is merely competing with existing efforts to spread knowledge, it is entering a crowded field, ill-prepared to add much weight."

"Peace is not simply a word and is never a static condition. It is a social achievement of the highest magnitude. We expect to pay dearly for war, but we like to think of peace as cheap, simple, serene. It is none of these."—United Press.

## Strike-Torn Minnesota

St. Paul, Minnesota, May 16.—National Guard troops were ordered to Albert Lea, Minnesota, today to extend state control over strife-torn areas in the bitter CIO Packinghouse Workers' strike.

Heavily-armed troops continued to patrol meat plants here and at nearby Newport after wresting control of the streets at bayonet point from massed pickets yesterday.

Officials said all was quiet today. Colonel Harlan Bynell, Chief of Staff of the State Adjutant General's office, said additional troops would be sent to Albert Lea, 120 miles south, some time today, at the request of local officials.

Sheriff Hjalmer Wulf at Albert Lea said that between 300 and 400 pickets had been massing at the Wilson and Company plant in the last two days.—United Press.

## Greek Guerrillas' Treasury Found

Athens, May 16.—The Greek police today claimed to have discovered the guerrillas' "treasury"—8,000 gold sovereigns which they alleged belong to the Greek Communist Party.

Several leading Communists were reported to have been arrested in connection with the discovery.—Reuter.



**STASSEN AS NURSEMAID**—Republican candidate for nomination for U.S. President "serves" as a nursemaid to three children at a political rally in Nebraska. The children were attending their first political rally. (AP)

## Raids On Tel-Aviv: Palestine Latest

(Continued from Page 1)

Fierce fighting was reported tonight for the possession of the Arab forces in the Latrun Monastery and the Arab village of Deir Ayoub, in the same area at the Tel-Aviv end of the Bab El Wat pass, on the Jerusalem road, appears to have cut off the Arab forces in the town of Ramle.

**POWER STATION CAPTURED** The Iraq claim to have crossed the Jordan was made in a Defence Ministry communiqué issued in Baghdad on the second day of the Arab invasion, started when Egyptian forces crossed the southern frontier at midnight on Friday.

According to the Baghdad communiqué, the Iraqi forces captured the Rutherford power installations. These appear to be the electric power installations at Naharayin—the only one of its kind in Palestine—some 10 miles south of Lake Tiberias, on the Jordan.

Iraqi planes, the communiqué added, had showered leaflets on Kashur and Biscan, two Jewish settlements, promising the inhabitants "safe conduct" if they surrendered unconditionally.

Forty Jews and a "quantity of arms" were stated to have been captured.

The Iraqi troops were understood to be led by the Regent, Emir Abdul Ilah, who, before the advance began, told his men: "I wish you good luck and a decisive victory in co-operation with other armies in the liberation of Palestine from Zionism and world Jewry after diplomacy had failed to secure the Arabs' just rights."

## JEWS DRIVEN OUT

Syrian troops are claimed to have occupied a former British Army camp near Samakh, south of the sea of Galilee. A Damascus communiqué stated that the Jews had been driven from three settlements, and Nuseib on the east coast of the Sea of Galilee had been encircled by Syrian forces; it was added.

It was added that the Syrians had raided several Jewish settlements in support of the advancing Lebanese columns.

Unofficial reports in Cairo tonight indicated that the Egyptian forces in Palestine had advanced some distance northeast from Gaza, and were under 40 miles from Tel-Aviv.

The Egyptians were in action against Jewish forces for the first time and were advancing under artillery and mortar fire, these reports added.

King Abdullah's Arab Legionnaires are reported to be advancing across the eastern frontier in response to appeals from Arab mayors in Palestine begging him to protect Arab life and property. The Legionnaires have occupied Jericho.

## HAGANAH COMMUNIQUE

In a communiqué today, Haganah said at least 200 Arab soldiers were killed in the fighting for Malakha village, on the Lebanon frontier.

Haganah claimed that the Arab seaport of Acre, north of Haifa, was besieged and that its surrender was expected at any moment. Last reports from the Arab town said it was still being held by the Arabs.

A Jewish victory in the battle for the control of the vital Jerusalem-Tel-Aviv highway was also reported by Haganah, which claimed the capture of the strategically important Arab village of Deir Ayoub at the foot of the Bab El Wat pass, some 14 miles out of Jerusalem.

Deir Ayoub was the main Arab stronghold in the battle for the pass, which has raged for more than a week since the Arabs set up a solid roadblock by blasting rock down from roadside cliffs.

The Arabs are strongly entrenched in the massive stone buildings of the French Trappist monastery commanding the approaches to Latrun, former Jewish detention camp.

The monastery stands on a hillside near the junction of the Jerusalem-Tel-Aviv road and the road which branches off to the north.

Arab guns were still attacking the monastery unless the shelling stopped. Haganah also said Arabs were still attacking the Jewish Nirim settlement in the Negev—the desert on Palestine's southern borders—with armoured vehicles.

## THE FIRST GAZETTE

The first official Gazette of Israel's Provisional Government appeared today, carrying an appeal to the citizens of the State to rally round the Government "in the hour of supreme test."

It declared: "We are not standing alone. We are supported by the Jewish people of Diaspora, (the Jews outside Palestine), and behind us is the conscience of civilised humanity."

Describing the military campaign, immigration and building up of the State as the Government's immediate three-fold task, the appeal warned that there would be "blood and tears, sacrifice of property and lives, toll and work" for all citizens.

It called on the Jewish community to respect the equal rights of Arabs living within the Israel boundaries. The appeal concluded: "Citizens let us maintain the honour of our young State to arms."

A Haganah communiqué declared earlier today that Egyptian planes yesterday bombed a Royal Air Force temporary aerodrome and wounded eight British soldiers.

Egyptian planes also machine-gunned a British armoured unit yesterday on the Hebron-Jaffa road, the communiqué said. It added that the officer commanding the British unit had been instructed to take no action but to ask for new orders if there was a further attack.—Reuter.

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# Sweden In 3rd Round Of Davis Cup

SPILLS AND THRILLS

## Hungary Leads France

Stockholm, May 16.—Sweden advanced to the third round of the European Davis cup zone by winning the doubles against Switzerland in straight sets. King Gustaf, who returned from the Riviera on Saturday, attended the game.

Lennart Bergelin and Torsten Johansson, who each won their singles on Saturday, defeated Max Albrecht and Hans Hounler 6-1, 6-1 and 6-3.—Associated Press.

Paris, May 16.—Hungary's Joseph Asboth and Anton Stolpa beat the French Bernard Destremau and Marcel Bernard, 6-3, 6-3, 6-8, 2-6 and 6-2 in the second round of the Davis Cup doubles match today.

Thus Hungary is leading France by 2 matches to one.—United Press.

### BRAZIL ELIMINATED

Prague, May 16.—Czecho-Slovakia eliminated Brazil from the Davis Cup today, when Ferdinand Vrba beat Brazil's Ernest Petersen, 7-9, 6-3, 6-1 and 6-1 in the first of today's revised singles matches.

Under a hot sun, with a capacity crowd of 6,000 in the Saint Vanice stadium, Peterson wore himself out taking the long first set.

Both players started erratically but by the middle of the first set they had settled down to a careful game with long rallies from the baseline.

With Petersen tired, Vrba started rushing to the net occasionally in the second set to take points with fast well-placed shots. In the third set he retired again to baseline duelling.

Czecho-Slovak Jaroslav Dobny beat Brazil's Manoel Fernandez in the final singles match when the Brazilian retired in the second set owing to illness.

Thus Czecho-Slovakia won the tie by four matches to one.

The Brazilian team manager, Alvaro Osorio, took Fernandez out of the game after Dobny won the first set 6-0 and led 5-1 in the second set. Officials said that Fernandez was running a temperature yesterday morning.—United Press.

### LEAD REDUCED

Brussels, May 16.—Argentina reduced Belgium's lead in the second round of the Davis Cup today when Enrique Morea and Alejo Russell beat Belgium's Philip Washer and Jacques Peten, 6-10, 6-3, 6-2 and 6-0.

Belgium now leads two matches to one.

The first set provided some of the most thrilling tennis seen in Brussels for a long time, both sides engaging in electric volleysing duels with Russell and Washer the outstanding men on the court.

After losing the first set, the Argentines settled down to fine teamwork. The match produced brilliant play on both sides of the net, and the Argentines demonstrated their superiority with brilliant placed lobs and brilliant smashes.

The Belgians took a 2-0 lead in the fourth set but Russell and Morea levelled. Then followed a great duel in which the Argentines' more accurate placing brought them victory.

### Australia's Davis Cup Team

Australian LTAAC councillors weren't the only ones disturbed when Australia's 1948 Davis Cup team was announced.

It's difficult to follow the selectors' reasoning in not including a promising junior, like Victorian Frank Sedgman, for experience.

This team probably will reach the challenge round, but Sir Norman Brooks won't find many to agree that it has a 50-50 chance of downing America in the final.

Even with Bromwich and Pails in the side, we went down 4-1 last year.

We seem fortunate, however, in our elastic amateur rules.

Every member of the team is directly employed by a sporting goods firm.

At times we're inclined to sneer from a great height on U.S. ideas of amateurism; but the fact is that none of our boys would be eligible, because of his employment, for a place in the American squad. Jim Vines on the Courier-Mail, Brisbane.

### NORTH SEA RACE

Rotterdam, May 16.—The 100-mile North Sea race, Harwich-Hook of Holland was won today in all three categories by British yachts.

In the second category, a Belgian vessel was second and a Dutch third.—Associated Press.

### IN HIS FAREWELL SEASON

## Bradman Still Tops The Drawing Card List

Donald G. Bradman has announced that the fifth and last Test Match against the Indians would be his farewell first-class cricket appearance in a game in Australia.

The Don, after 20 years as a cricket's headliner, would still be the first man picked in a world eleven, and he is retiring with a string of records that may never be equalled.

Through his genius, Bradman has raised Australia to the pinnacle of undisputed world champions. His flashing bat has conquered the cream of the bowling talent of all countries and built the foundation for huge scores which, plus his leadership, makes him the facile princeps in the cricketing world.

At the announcement of his retirement, deep concern was expressed from all English-speaking countries, and the Marylebone Cricket Club—controllers of cricket in England—expressed gratification that Bradman would accompany the Australians, for another world's championship series in England.

### GREATEST IN HISTORY

He is one of the greatest drawing cards in the history of the game, and "Bradman's Inn" is sufficient to double the gate anywhere in Australia.

### Australian Batting Averages

	Innings	Not out	Runs	Highest Score	Average
K. R. Miller	4	2	290	202*	144.50
D. G. Bradman	3	-	334	146	111.33
S. Barnes	3	-	208	176	69.33
W. A. Brown	5	-	266	200	53.20
A. Morris	5	1	249	138	49.80
A. L. Hassett	5	1	218	110	44.50
Ian Johnson	3	1	64	46	32.00
R. A. Hamence	4	-	112	92	28.00
D. Tallon	4	1	81	50	27.00
R. N. Harvey	5	1	60	18*	18.00
R. Lindwall	3	1	36	32	12.00
W. A. Johnston	3	1	23	12	11.50
E. Toshack	1	-	8	8	8.00
R. A. Saggars	1	-	6	6	6.00
S. J. Loxton	1	-	4	4	4.00
C. McCool	3	-	8	5	2.67
D. Ring	1	-	2	2	2.00

\* Not out. Scores in the game started against Essex on Saturday are not included.



It takes thrills to keep the crowds at six-day bike races satisfied, and thrills mean spills occasionally. Here track officials crowd around dazed Francis Graus of the French team at New York. Rider in the background pays no attention.

## Epsom Derby Betting Market Thrown Wide Open

London, May 16.—The Epsom Derby betting market, which was so serene with the Maharajah Gaekwar of Baroda's My Babu a firm favourite, has been thrown wide open by events during the last 10 days.

First came the surprising defeat of Jock Scott at Chester. This was followed by the biggest "cure" hitherto concerning the welfare of the favourite and then came the unexpected defeat of Black Tarquin, Straight Play, and Roaring Forties by a horse not engaged in the Derby, Riding Mill.

The biggest market upset was caused by the news that My Babu, the Two Thousand Guineas winner and Derby favourite, had a "day off" from strong work last weekend and rumours were soon ripe that the colt was lame.

The official explanation was that Mr. Richard Carver, who trains for Mr. Volterra.

My Love was a brilliant winner of the Prix Hocquart at Longchamps last week, after which his price in the Derby betting shortened.

M. Volterra's colours will be carried in the Derby by Royal Drake, who will miss his engagement in the Prix Matchem at Le Tremblay on Wednesday and will not appear in public before the Epsom classic.

M. Martinez de Hof, a prominent Argentine owner, whose horses run in France, will decide at the end of this week whether he will run his colt Prill, a winner at Longchamps today and last Sunday.—Reuter.

ODDS EXTENDED

Consequently, the odds about this son of Djebel have been extended to three to one. At the official call-off last Monday, he was on offer at nine to four.

A factor in My Babu's favour is that he is not a big colt and does not need a lot of hard work.

Sam Armstrong, his trainer, is confident that he will be at his best for the Epsom. He has been giving the colt walking exercise and hopes to resume his strong Derby preparation at the weekend.

The defeat of Mr. William Woodward's American-bred Black Tarquin, one of last season's best juveniles in the Newmarket Stakes, caused his Derby price to drift from 10 to one, at which he was third favourite, to 20 to one.

Running over a mile and a quarter, Black Tarquin failed to respond when asked for a finishing challenge, and was beaten by Sir Percy Loraine's Riding Mill, which was turned out in excellent mettle by Harry Wragg, his trainer.

It must be said in favour of Black Tarquin, and the Eclipse Stake's winner, Rhodes Scholar, that he has been unable to work properly because of the firm going. It was his first appearance of the season and probably he would not have run but for his trainer being anxious to give him an outing in view of the proximity of the Derby.

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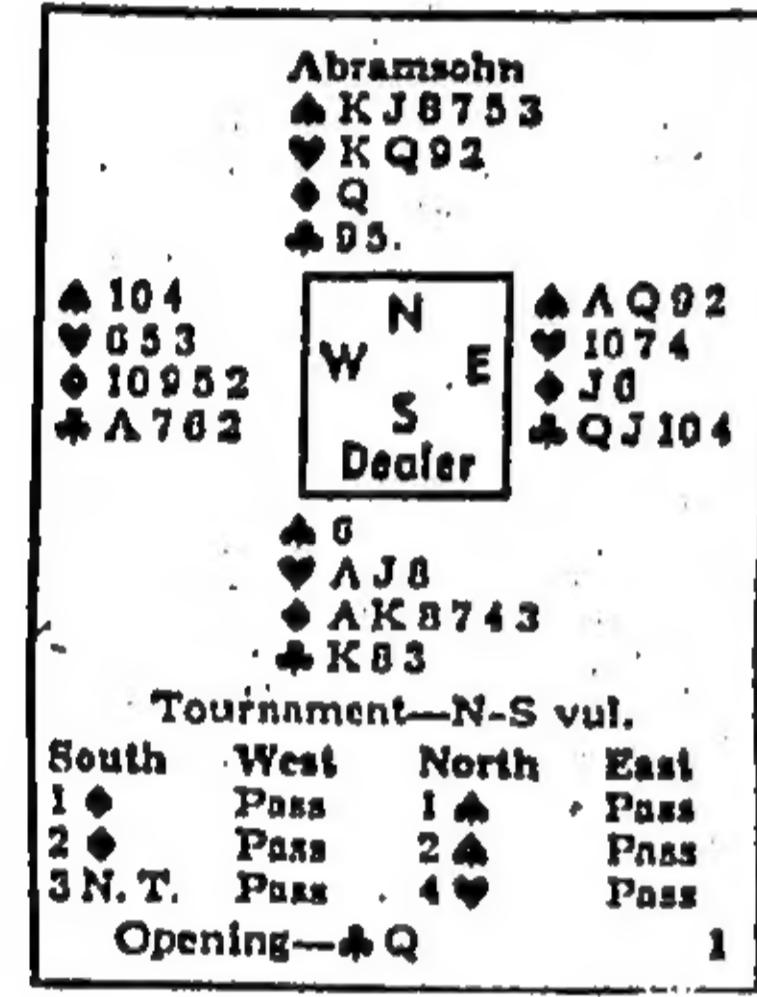
By Galbraith



"They're giving billions to Europe to halt communism—I'll bet they'd send you a tax refund if you wrote and told the government you're thinking about becoming a Communist yourself!"

## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Daring Trump Play Key To Heart Game



By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

ONE of the most popular of major tournaments is the Southeastern Regional Championships, held annually in Florida. Phil Abramsohn of Hollywood, Fla., one of the outstanding Life Masters of the country, will defend the Southeastern men's pair title this year, which he holds with Don Farquharson—of Canada. He is a great believer in percentages. Today's hand is typical of his style. Sitting North, Abramsohn did not think his hand would be of much help to his partner at no trump. That was the reason for his four bid, leaving it up to South to decide whether the hand should be played at four hearts or five spades. Obviously they would not have done well in no trump, especially if West opened a spade and East shifted to clubs.

On the opening lead of the queen of clubs dummy's king was played and West won. The deuce of clubs was returned, East won with the ten-spot, and led the club Jack, which Abramsohn ruffed. He ruffed with the nine-spot. He realised his only possible chance of making the contract was to establish the diamond suit, but he had to watch out for a possible four-two split. So at this point he cashed the queen of diamonds and led the queen of hearts, overruling in dummy with the ace. Then he led the four of diamonds and trumped in his own hand with the king of hearts. Thus he established his diamond suit.

To pick up trumps he led the deuce of hearts, East played the seven, and knowing it was the only way to make the hand, Abramsohn fished the eight of hearts. When it held he led the Jack, and all of his diamonds were good. At the end he gave up the ace of spades.

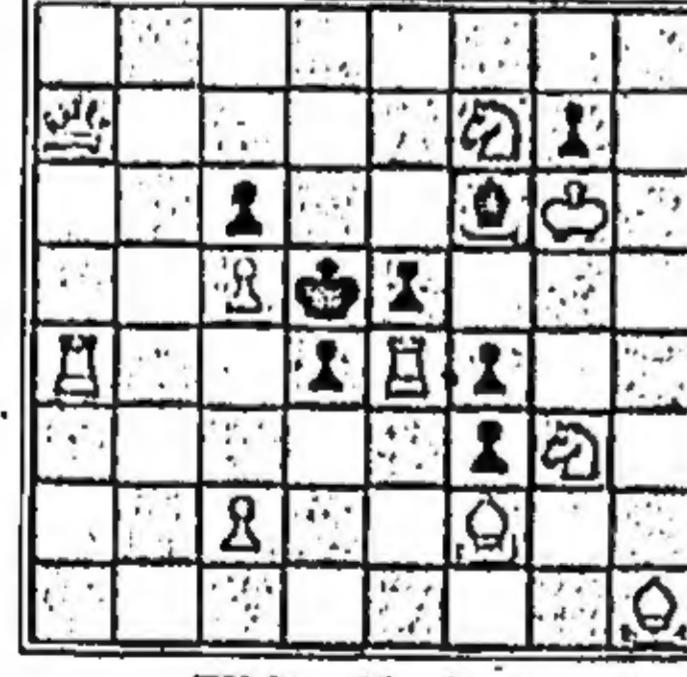
## Check Your Knowledge

1. Name the only product of which Great Britain has more than enough for her own needs.
  2. What is the meaning of "In loco parentis"?
  3. What is ichthyology?
  4. Name the author of "Peer Gynt".
  5. What is the meaning of gelish?
  6. Name the longest river in Europe.
- (Answers on Column 5)



## CHESS PROBLEM

By A. K. ELWORTHY  
Black, 8 pieces

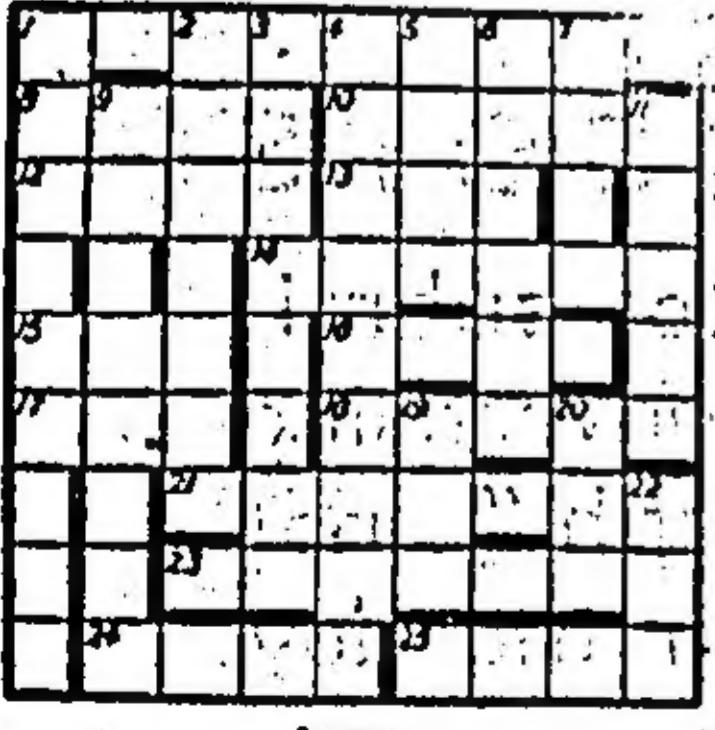


White to play and mate in two.

Solution to Saturday's problem:

2. Qxg1, Rxg1, 2. Q, R, or Kt mates.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across:  
1. Here's Bobo! (anag.) (9)  
2. Quilling (4)  
3. May mean warmth of affection. (5)  
4. At least it's one way to slip. (5)  
5. It's fine. (4)  
6. The spring is seen on a carriag

## EXCLUSIVE TELEGRAPH FEATURE YOUR BIRTHDAY..... By STELLA

MONDAY, MAY 17

BORN today you have a great deal of intellectual energy, and for complete happiness your mind must be continually active. You are original and inventive but you are rather slow to put your ideas into motion. You are meticulous about every detail and want to be sure you know exactly where you are going.

Others often become impatient with this deliberateness, but they will find that in the long run it pays off well. You never will be happy in a routine job; your best efforts should be directed toward getting off on your own. Only then will your true talents exert themselves fully.

You delight in the arts, especially in music and painting, and may have some latent talent in this re-

gard which you do not even know you have in your earlier years. You women have fine speaking voices as well, and probably will be tempted to try the stage, screen, or radio as a career.

You are able to make friends easily with both sexes but your intimate circle of friends is most likely to include only those whose minds are as brilliant and scintillating as your own may be. You enjoy social life, but only when it has an objective, some worthy cause. You women make fine social leaders; benefits and charity balls are right down your special alley!

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, MAY 18

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Your health is very important now for you should have your full energy to make the desired progress.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—If you have a salary rise or a promotion coming to you, today can be a good time to ask for it.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—New plans take the foreground in today's activities. Don't let your emotions get out of control. If possible be careful.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Not a good day for expansion. Keep to established tasks that are thoroughly reliable. Be patient and wait.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Continue caution in matters of real importance and avoid unnecessary travel. Make your gains slowly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Impulsiveness can ruin the best-made plans, so make sure that you are very deliberate in all decisions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Disappointment may come through the actions of one of the opposite sex. Don't let emotions control your actions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If you must travel, be especially cautious to avoid a careless accident. Be deliberate, rather than impulsive.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Guard your resources, both spiritual and material, and hold up acting on new plans until later on.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Things may not be what they appear on the surface, so be very cautious in everything you do.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Guard against business setbacks and you will avoid the pitfalls confronting many others just now.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—If a plan depends upon the decisions of a superior, you may find it sensible to make your demands now.

SCIENCE AT WORK:

## CAMERA'S 100,000,000 PICTURES PER SECOND

By RONNIE TAYLOR

A CAMERA which can take pictures at a rate of 100,000,000 per second has been shown publicly for the first time by the U.S. Navy.

This camera will enable scientists to get accurate pictures of things that happen far too fast for the eye or for any photographic instrument heretofore developed.

It is so fast that it can almost "stop" a beam of light. Its shutter

is so speedy that a light ray travelling at 100,000 miles a second can move only two feet during the exposure.

Some day, its inventor said, it may be able to photograph the head of a beam of light coming out of an electric bulb.

Inventor of the camera is Doctor A. M. Garem, of the U.S. Navy's laboratory research staff. The instrument consists mainly of two light polarising lenses similar to anti-glare glasses and a high voltage electrical circuit. The lenses, although crystal clear, can be set in such a way that light will not pass through them. But when two electric terminals in a glass tube are placed between the lenses and a high voltage charge is sent through the circuit, light can pass through as long as the electrical charge remains there.

### Duration of Charge

By controlling the duration of the electric charge, an operator thus can govern the exposure time. Because it can be controlled electrically instead of mechanically, the interval can be cut down to a 100,000,000th of a second.

Since the film could not move through a camera fast enough to keep up with this speed, many cameras have to be used, one for each exposure. To photograph the whole period of a 1,000,000th of a second requires 100 such cameras, each focused on a particular part of a long film strip and set off in a sort of chain reaction.

This opens a new field of scientific investigation called precision microfilming. Scientists for the first time will be able to see accurately the life history of an electric spark lasting only a 1,000,000th of a second.—Associated Press.

## OUTWARD MAIRS

On Monday, May 17, the General Post Office and Rowland General Post Office will open from 8 a.m. to noon. The one branch office will be open for delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 10 a.m. and one collection only from pillar boxes. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Until further notice, only ordinary correspondence will be accepted for Palestine (by surface route only) and emigrants' parcels will be delayed and parcel service will be suspended.

Unless otherwise stated, registered articles and parcels post close 30 minutes earlier than the general post office. If mail is sent before 10 a.m. registered and parcels will close at 8 p.m. on previous day.

MONDAY, MAY 17

Closing Times By Air  
Canton (Kowloon CPO) 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m.; (GPO) 9.30 a.m., Noon; Holloway, Swatow, Foochow, Shanghai, Hankow, Tsinling, Peiping, Liuchow, Tsinling, and Amoy—Noon (reg. & ord.).

Closing Times By Sea & Train  
Macau, Tsinshan & Shinkai (Sea) Noon; Canton (2nd class mail only) (Train) Noon; Kongmoung (Sea) Noon; Manila & Bombay (Sea) Noon.



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## FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

### US Interests To Boost Free Market For Gold

Washington, May 16.—Informed industrial sources anticipate an attempt by the mining states' delegates at the Republican and Democratic National Conventions to interest platform committees in a proposal for the re-establishment of a free market for gold in the United States.

Technical preparations indicate a long struggle developing both in the United States Congress and before the general public, to legalise again private holding and trading in gold.

Bills by Senator McCarran and Representative Clair Engle to permit import and export of gold for private holding have not yet been the subject of Congressional hearings, but have been widely publicised in the mining industry, and reportedly were widely endorsed by prominent economists and mining organisations.

Mining experts said the possibility of arousing national political interest in free-marketing of gold arises from the proponents' claim that it would have an anti-inflationary effect on the general national economy.

Members of both major parties are disturbed by the continued inflationary trend of the general price level, and the refusal of Congress to approve stringent price control programmes turns political attention to possible means of influencing the price level through changes in the gold laws.

#### Probable Discussion

The Republicans, Democrats both have adopted some kind of monetary declaration at every national convention since 1930, and the revival of such discussion is probable in the forthcoming campaign in view of public bitterness at the high cost of living.

Both the United States Treasury and the International Monetary Fund requested its members to prevent the sale of gold at a price above the United States Treasury price of US\$33 per ounce.

However, Mr Francis Brownell, chairman of the Financial Committee of the American Smelting and Refining Company, in a letter to Congressional committees, said this action by the International Monetary Fund had the effect of diverting to the United States Treasury large amounts of gold which otherwise would have been sold elsewhere.

#### Demand For Gold

United States gold stocks increased by US\$2,000,000,000 in 1947. "Previously the demand for gold outside the United States was so great as to absorb at prices well above \$35 all gold offered, and very little came to the United States Treasury, except United States production, which by law must be sold to the Mint. Outside demand still remains," wrote Mr Brownell.

The Brownell letter said the US\$2,000,000,000 of gold bought by the United States Government in 1947 was equivalent to world production, excluding Russia, for about two and a half years. It said if the United States continued to buy at this rate, it would purchase all the monetary gold in the world outside of Russia in about 10 years.

The fact that the United States already holds 60 percent of the world's gold makes it difficult for other countries to return to the gold standard, the letter continued.

#### Three Points

Mr Brownell alleged that the US\$2,000,000,000 annual increase in United States Government gold holdings would be equivalent to an increase of US\$10,000,000,000 of bank credits through loans or discounts. He said such an inflationary threat could be remedied by a three-point programme:

1. Rescind prohibition of ownership of gold by United States citizens.
2. Permit a free market, both in the United States and elsewhere, for all gold, including United States mines' production.
3. Leave the present United States gold policy otherwise unchanged, continuing the obligation of the Treasury to buy gold offered at US\$33 per ounce.—United Press.

## Schwarzkoft To Leave Iran

### Officer Found

Berlin, May 16.—Lieutenant General Mihail Dratin, the Soviet Deputy Military Governor in Germany, announced here that Mr Igor Klein, former liaison officer with the British Control Commission in Berlin, had placed himself voluntarily in the custody of the Soviet Kommandatura.

Ten days ago, public safety officers in the British sector of Berlin began a search for Mr Klein, whose engagement with the Control Commission had been terminated when it became known that he had not arrived in Britain nor used the passage booked for him from The Hook, of Holland.

General Dratin made the disclosure of the official's whereabouts in a letter requesting the British authorities to take delivery of Mr Klein.—Reuter.

## FORD PROPOSES WAGE CUTS

Detroit, May 16.—The Ford Motor Company today answered a union demand for a wage rise of 30 cents an hour with a proposal to cut wages.

Mr Emil Mazey, Secretary of the United Automobile Workers, said last night that the Chrysler strike, which began on May 11, would be labour's biggest battle in 1948.

Chrysler's 75,000 workers struck from their original 30 cents demand. It was the first big Detroit motor workers' strike since December, 1945.—Reuter.

## Waterside Fires: Arrest Expected

Melbourne, May 16.—The waterfront police, investigating five fires which have broken out recently in the British-India steamer Pemba, expect to make an arrest tomorrow.

The police learned today that a bunch of keys to the hold disappeared, before yesterday's outbreak, which was the fourth since the Pemba arrived from Sydney on April 10.

Another occurred in Sydney nine weeks ago. The Agents yesterday offered a £400 reward for information leading to the conviction of the offender.—Reuter.

"But not," he emphasised, "as General Chay's replacement."—Associated Press.

## Australia Said Killing Herself

Brisbane, May 16.—Australia was doing what the Japanese could not do—"killing herself," Cardinal Francis Spellman, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of New York, said here today.

He said that the Dominion must improve her birthrate, which was now lower than the death rate.—Reuter.

## Stern Gang Victims

Liverpool, May 16.—Thirty-four Hebrew Christian refugees, who said they were warned by the Stern Gang, the Jewish terrorist organization, to leave Palestine or risk death, arrived here today from safety in the troopship George.

They were 20 women and 14 men, blacklisted by the Stern Gang for renouncing their religion and for working for the British in professional and industrial capacities.

"Some of them told they had been tortured and condemned to death by the Stern Gang. There were four small children with the party, but most of the refugees said they were forced to flee from their homes and families."—Reuter.

## DAKOTAS SEIZED

### Action By Egyptian Air Force

Cairo, May 16.—The American Ambassador, Mr S. Pinkney Tuck, has made representations to Prime Minister Nokrashi Pasha against the seizure by the Egyptian Air Force on Saturday of four surplus C-47 Dakota aeroplanes which Trans-World Airlines had agreed previously to sell to Saudi Arabia.

Mr Tuck advised the Prime Minister of the seizure and asked him to review the decision under which it was made. No reply had been received at the time this was written.

Following Saturday's Dakota seizures, a G-54 Skymaster of the U.S. Air Force, enroute from Europe to the U.S. airbase at Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, was detained at Farouk Field here today pending inspection by a representative of the nation's Defence Ministry.

### SUPPLY FLIGHT

American official said the Skymaster was making a semi-weekly supply flight to Dhahran Field.

The Skymaster was allowed to proceed to Dhahran later today. Whether it was inspected by the Defence Ministry before its departure could not be determined immediately.

Representatives of the Egyptian Air Force appeared at T.W.A. offices at Farouk Field on Saturday with a decree signed by Haidar Pasha, Defence Minister and approved by Nokrashi Pasha ordering the seizure. Ambassador Tuck made representations but after some delay, Egyptian pilots took the planes away.

Another development was an order banning all flight over Egypt from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m., apparently a precaution against possible Jewish air raids.—Associated Press.

### RAF MEN HELD UP

London, May 16.—The British Air Ministry said today the Commonwealth Relations Office has told its Commissioner in Pakistan to make "urgent representations" on behalf of the four RAF officers held up there by a dispute over their medical certificates.

A Ministry spokesman said apparently the medical station at Changi, which inoculated the four against yellow fever, is not on a Pakistan approved list although it is "a perfectly competent station."

He said he did not know whether the Commonwealth Relations Commissioner had had any success in his talk with the Pakistan officials.—Associated Press.

### Ex-Siam Premier For England

Singapore, May 16.—Mr Tran Van Huu, Vice-President of the South Viet Nam Government, told Reuter today there might be some delay in the setting up of a Viet Namese (Indo-Chinese Nationalist) Central Government.

He escaped from Siam wearing dark glasses and a false moustache and was smuggled into Singapore. He was leader of Siam's wartime "Free Thai" underground movement and for almost 18 months was in daily radio contact with the Ceylon headquarters of the Supreme Commander, Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten.—Reuter.

## French President Calls For "Frank Parley"

Paris, May 16.—The French President, M. Vincent Auriol, today called for a "frank parley" between responsible statesmen to put an end to "these discussions on procedure, these insidious notes, these backhanded blows, and these pinpricks which serve nobody's prestige or influence and even less the cause of peace."

"The sincerity of words is measured by acts and the best way to test the loyalty of a partner is to take him at his word," the President declared.

Speaking at a wine festival at Macon, Burgundy, President Auriol said that people were weary of pacific proclamations which are not followed by any constructive proposition while armed fear continues to reign and acts are accomplished which seem to bring the terrible danger of war nearer."

It was time to return "to the spirit as well as the letter of the United Nations Charter."

Referring to the recent exchange of Soviet-American notes, he said:

## BRITISH TORIES WANT SPAIN BROUGHT INTO THE WESTERN UNION

London, May 16.—A campaign to bring Franco Spain into the Western world fold found increasing Conservative support in Britain this week.

Disputing the official policy of the Government that Spain must remain outside until Franco goes, Conservative Members of Parliament left their normal forum to carry on the fight in the columns of The Times, the most influential paper in Britain.

Spain, left standing in the naughty boy's corner of the international schoolroom since the war, is barred from the United Nations, from Marshall aid, from Western Union.

The main argument of those who would change this is that if the Western democracies maintain relations with other countries whose ideology—Communism—they disagree with, why then should they not recognise Spain, even while still disliking Franco's ideology?

### Big Five May Discuss Palestine

Lake Success, May 16.—The Emergency Council, resuming its emergency session on Palestine tomorrow, may call the Big Five together to consider the Arab attacks on the new Jewish State.

This move, suggested by Dr Alfonso Lopez of Colombia, would be made under the article of the United Nations Charter which provides for the major powers to consult together on "joint action" to maintain international peace and security.

Before the Council meeting, the Big Five will meet in closed session to consider candidates for the post of United Nations mediator in the Holy Land as agreed by the General Assembly on Friday.

Reports published today said Count Folke Bernadotte, nephew of the King of Sweden, was being considered as mediator as well as Mr Harold Evans, of Philadelphia, who has already been appointed Municipal Commissioner of Jerusalem.

Count Bernadotte, President of the Swedish Red Cross, played a leading part in the peace talk before the German capitulation.

The Security Council's emergency meeting was called on Saturday within four hours of an Egyptian note stating that Egyptian forces had entered Palestine to restore order "against Zionist terrorism."—Reuter.

### Pt. Swettenham Strike

Singapore, May 16.—Two hundred Malay labourers working under police guards were used by the Federal Malayan Government today to unload a cargo of sugar from a ship delayed by a three-week old strike at Port Swettenham, Malaya's main port.

The strike began on April 27 for higher wages and better conditions though it was thought to be in sympathy with the stoppage then on in Singapore and since broken by the introduction of outside labour.

The Governor, Sir Edward Gent, recently warned Port Swettenham strikers that he would use "direct labour" to work the port if they did not return to work.—Reuter.

### NO VIET NAM GOVT. YET

Singapore, May 16.—Mr Tran Van Huu, former Siamese Premier, and former Statsman who died after last November's coup d'état, will visit Britain shortly as "a private citizen".

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He was leader of Siam's wartime "Free Thai" underground movement and for almost 18 months was in daily radio contact with the Ceylon headquarters of the Supreme Commander, Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten.—Reuter.

Mr Michael Astor, Conservative Member who was among a group which backed a New Deal for Spain in last week's foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons, brought this argument up in a letter to The Times yesterday.

He wrote: "There is abundant evidence to show that the iron hand of dictatorship is far more liberal in Spain than in Russia."

"The policy of the present Government towards Spain is an aftermath of the appeasing policy which this country adopted towards Russia immediately after the war."

"It is a concession to strength and not the maintenance of a moral principle, and as such it is in the worst traditions of British foreign policy."

### RACING CONTROVERSY

"Apart from this matter of principle, it has been the direct cause of the strengthening of General Franco's position in Spain, and has hardened the hearts of the Spanish people against the Western democracies."

The Times' controversy has raged for six days.

The first to come to the support of Spain was a Conservative Member of Parliament, Major Guy Lloyd, who wrote: "Spain was the first Western European nation to see the Red light and to fight successfully against anarchy and Communism."

"Our continued refusal to allow her to participate in the defence of Western civilisation is a triumph for Communist propaganda and an act of extreme folly."

Mr M. H. Scott, a retired Navy captain, and wartime Naval Attaché in Madrid, next rallied to Mr Lloyd's side with the warning: "Deliberately to shut out Spain from the Western Union is merely to sabotage the plan for European recovery and to anyone with a knowledge of Spain, it is utterly incomprehensible."

### COUNTER-BLASTS

Next day, counter-blasts came from other correspondents. One, an Oxford University don, wrote that Major Lloyd's letter is "actually giving powerful assistance to Russian propaganda. It will obviously be quoted as an instance proving that Russian propaganda is correct when it asserts that the spokesmen of Western democracy are hypocritical when they talk of maintaining freedom; that they really have no objections to a police state provided only that it is a police state which protects the rights of property."

By yesterday, the correspondence had expanded to almost a full column of The Times.

Two more Conservative Members of Parliament, Major H. Legge-Bourke and Sir Patrick Hannan, provided this joint comment: "The safeguarding of a bridgehead in Europe for those opposed to Communism ought to be the main strategic purpose of any such (Western Union) plan."

"However distasteful General Franco's methods may be to us, they ought not to be permitted to cloud the fact that the existence of the Iberian Peninsula and the natural barrier of the Pyrenees afford the only practical means of securing such a bridgehead, just as, in the last century, was the case when Napoleon was the antagonist".

### FACTS TO FACE

Despite the growing campaign, the backers of Spain, diplomatic observers say, have these apparently stonywall facts to face.

1.—The Western Union (of Britain, France and the Benelux countries) is a tight regional military alliance, and no one else is likely to come in for the moment.

2.—The United States' official policy is that Spain cannot come into the Marshall plan unless the 16 European nations in the European recovery programme agree—and this is most improbable unless Franco goes.

3.—Leftwing opinion, even of the most moderate type, is set hard against bringing a Fascist State into the anti-totalitarian camp—even if it considered its form of Fascism was now undynamic and almost benevolent.—Reuter.

### U.S. Films To Be Made In Britain

New York, May 16.—Eleven out of 20 pictures to be made overseas by American companies within the next 12 months will be made in Britain, studio press announcements said today.

Other points in his speech were:

Western Union—"An important step in the creation of a first little island of order, liberty, well-being and security."

Germany: Should be incorporated "with her federal status in a federated Europe."

The Ruhr area should be "effectively controlled by the associated states in the service of just reparations and European reconstruction."

Germany included.—Reuter.

### SCAP WILL LIMIT OPERATIONS

Tokyo, May 16.—The Economic and Scientific Section of General MacArthur's headquarters today announced that, effective from June 12, the sales operations of SCAP's foreign trade office in New York would be limited to the disposals of materials such as raw silk now on inventory in the United States.

The inventories of Japanese commodities now in the United States will not be replenished as stocks are liquidated.

The office will continue to be available to promote the sales of all goods for shipment to Japan, but will not act as sales agent.

The official statement said the office would provide every possible assistance to buyers in the United States to obtain their requirements from Japan, but actual sales negotiations would be conducted directly by American buyers with exporters in Japan through a utilization of authorized commercial facilities.

For the time being, these private negotiations will continue to be formalized by the contracts between American buyers and the Japanese Board of Trade.

The official reason for the change of policy is that it is a forward step in restoring Japanese trade completely to private channels.

Reuter.

### PRINCESS AT THE RACES

Paris, May 16.—Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh watched the races at Longchamp this afternoon from the Presidential box, backed by a great bank of pink, white and blue hydrangeas.

The Princess, wearing a white flowered frock and a white belt, followed each event closely through binoculars, but did not bet.

The French police advised her not to go to look at the horses in the paddock as had at first been planned, and this deprived the great Wimborne crowd of chance to see her at close view.

Loud cheers greeted the Princess and the Duke as they stepped into their box to be received by Madame Vincent Auriol, the President's wife.

In the morning, the Royal couple rose early to attend a celebration of Holy Communion at the Anglican Church in the Rue Daguerre, just across from the British Embassy in Paris.—Reuter.

### Pravda Sings The Same Old Tune

Moscow, May 16.—Pravda, the organ of the Russian Communist Party, declared tonight "Swedish reactionaries and advocates of Nordic co-operation" were seeking to place Sweden in the ranks of the mercenaries of imperialist monopolies.

The Swedish reactionaries are now attempting to embroil Sweden in the "Western Union" which have nothing in common with the genuine aspirations of the Swedish people, who have no interest in a policy of forming military blocs and aligning international co-operation, the newspaper added.—Reuter.

### He Lost His Bet

Paris, May 16.—Completely sober and repentant, a French law student was released today after he was caught by police trying to scale the wall of the British Embassy where Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip are staying.

The student, apparently under the influence of alcohol when caught, said he had got some of his friends to help him climb the wall.

The student would be received by the Prince.

Reuter.

### "SABOTEURS" HELD

London, May 16.—Sixteen members of a "sabotage" gang whose arrest was announced in Prague yesterday, were alleged by Prague Radio today to have started fires following "inciting broadcasts" by the British Broadcasting Corporation.

The 16 were accused of destroying machinery worth one million crowns and to have burnt several industrial undertakings.—Reuter.

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### Death For Terrorists

Belgrade, May 16.—Four members of an armed Slovenc band, alleged to have terrorized the countryside near Celje, were sentenced to death last night by a Slovenc district court.

The band was accused of plundering private property and attempting to persuade several peasant soldiers to join them. The band was said to have been captured after a short armed battle on March 17.

Several of the bandits' friends and relatives were also tried and sentenced to three months' imprisonment each for hiding or otherwise aiding them.

One member of the band was sentenced to 20 years.—Reuter.

### Executions In Greece

#### British Labourites Perturbed

Scarborough, May 16.—A motion of protest against recent mass executions in Greece, to be submitted to the Labour Party Conference which opens here tomorrow, was being considered by the Party Executive this afternoon.

The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, and the Deputy Premier, Mr Herbert Morrison, and several other members of the Government were present.

The Executive also considered a proposal to expel Mr Alfred Edwards, Labour Member of Parliament for Middlesbrough, East, for his refusal to stop his public campaign against the Government's nationalisation policy.

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There is a widespread feeling among delegates that Labour, after three years in office, has lately been put on the defensive and that the recent inner party quarrels have weakened its position.

A public opinion poll was published in a London pro-Labour Sunday paper this morning predicting a defeat for Labour if a general election took place today.

This has